

Training Collaboration Nets Cost Savings

Employees at two government entities and one private business in the Grand Junction, Colorado, area needed training on ion chromatographs for analyses of water samples. But the costly training classes were only available at a West Coast location and did not fit the employees' schedules.

The solution was to bring an instructor to Grand Junction at a cost savings of more than \$10,000. The collaborative effort by the U.S. Department of Energy Grand Junction Office (DOE-GJO), the City of Grand Junction, and Ute Water allowed employees to be trained in the use of this laboratory equipment about 1 month sooner than was possible at the West Coast training facility.

Five DOE-GJO contractor employees participated in the training conducted at the GJO site and in the GJO Environmental Sciences Laboratory. The training was particularly needed by employees working at the Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action Ground Water Project site at Tuba City, Arizona, to analyze sulfate, nitrate, and chloride anions in conjunction with operation of the water treatment plant at that location.

The 3-day course covered the theory of ion chromatography and included hands-on training on the instrument and hands-on training on the associated computer software. Eileen List coordinated the training for herself and other City of Grand Junction employees and for Ute Water participants; Dr. Stan Morrison made the training arrangements for five MACTEC Environmental Restoration Services employees at GJO.❖



Training on an ion chromatograph used to analyze water samples was conducted in the Environmental Sciences Laboratory at the DOE Grand Junction Office.

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system in Area A (0.5 acre). Approximately 3 acres of the Northeast Site has been identified in the RFP for treatment. Once the subcontractor demonstrates attainment of the remediation goals in Area A, an option could be exercised to treat Area B. If the goals are not achieved, the subcontract would be terminated, and further costs for treatment would cease.

This procurement strategy allows DOE to proceed with innovative technologies required for DNAPL remediation, while minimizing risk should the selected technology not achieve the remediation goals.

For more information about DNAPL remediation at the Northeast Site or the DOE Environmental Restoration Program at the Pinellas STAR Center, contact David Ingle, DOE-GJO Environmental Specialist, at (727) 541-8943.❖

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really stretch a family budget by buying goods this way for pennies on the dollar," claims Young. He also collects antique automobiles, telephones, firearms, military equipment, and a type of glassware handed down from his family. His car collection includes four Model A Fords, two Mustangs, and a 1947 Willys Jeep. He estimates that he owns 30 to 35 antique phones ranging from 1905 to pre-1955 and an additional 20 modern phones.❖